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SOIL CLEAN-UP ACTIVITIES IN ST. GEORGES

Public Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2002 at 7 p.m.

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control will update residents on the ongoing investigation and cleanup of lead contaminated soils in the St. Georges community during a public meeting on Dec. 12, 2002. The meeting will be held at the historic church on North Main Street in St. Georges, Delaware beginning at 7 p.m.

In early November the Corps completed removal and replacement of soil from 13 residential properties that had elevated lead concentrations in shallow soils. These properties were identified during three separate investigations conducted by the Corps.

Representatives of the Corps, DNREC and EA Engineering, the Corps' contractor who is performing the work, will discuss the completed removal actions, the final soil investigation report, and the schedule and issues relating to the cleanup of the remaining properties requiring soil remediation. A question and answer session will follow the presentation.

Attendees will also be able to pick up copies of their property test results from the comprehensive soil investigation. Final individual results will be mailed to those residents who cannot attend the meeting.